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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and §1.17(a), a one-month extension of the period for filing an Appeal Brief, *i.e.*, to up to and including December 29, 2003 is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$110.00 fee therefor, and any additionally required fee for this extension of time, or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.